

2003-2004 ~ CTE Grant Awards

Project Descriptions

COMMUNITY APPLYING	GRANT #	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
City of Ammon	03-CTE-A	Ammon intends to remove deteriorating poles in the existing parking area of McCowin park and expand parking on both sides of the Southwick corridor. Then they will plant 4 varieties of trees along the corridor and the swimming pool area. The trees will add beauty to the corridor and park, while also providing shade and a windbreak for spectators. Additionally they plan to create a buffer between the parking lot by removing an 8 foot strip of asphalt around the pool and place trees, shrubs, grass, spectator benches, and handicap parking and ramps which do not exist. The idea is to divide the pool facility and field sports with an oasis of landscape island/buffers and breaking up the concrete and asphalt that covers so much of this area in the park.
City of Driggs	03-CTE-B	Driggs proposes planting 84 trees along four blocks of Little Avenue and 659 perennials at five intersections. The trees will be located within new six-foot wide planting strips separating the curb/gutter from the sidewalk and the perennials will be located within triangular planting spaces found at all four corners of four intersections and one corner of the fifth intersection. Planting the trees and perennials proposed will slow traffic, beautify the busiest street in Driggs, encourage pedestrian use of the new sidewalks, provide shade and expand Driggs' reputation and economic viability as a tourist town and attractive destination. It will also be a demonstration project that will help convince residents and businesses that street trees are both viable and desirable.
City of Hayden	03-CTE-C	The project is to plant approximately 381 trees/shrubs in Croffoot Park to divide the playing fields, provide shade, enhance the visual appeal of the transportation corridors and act as a windbreak along the extreme west edge of the park. This portion of the project consists of plants and planting in the swales and shrub strips along the west edge of the park between Ramsey Road and the western parking lot. The boulder/entrance monument at the corner of the two main access routes into the park, planting for the corner, and low-flow irrigation for the trees and shrubs in this portion of the project is included.
City of Iona	03-CTE-E	The City of Iona has recently completed phases 1 & 2 of a downtown beautification project. This project is phase three which extends to the south end of Main Street & Denning Ave. It is to plant, care for, protect and maintain trees on the first block of South Main Street intersecting with Denning Ave. A new "welcoming" sign will also be added to the entrance of Iona on Owen Ave. The continuing goal is to further enhance the beauty of Iona by planting trees along the main corridor in order to present a quality image of Iona and invite new business into the city. Also it will encourage local residents to take pride and create improvements in other community areas.
City of Nampa	03-CTE-H	The City of Nampa Parks & Recreation has a two mile stretch of an abandoned railroad right- of way in south Nampa. This linear trail is used extensively by walkers, joggers and bicyclers as a transportation corridor, as well as a means to enhance their quality of life. We have developed the immediate north and immediate south with asphalt paving, sprinklers and tree planting. We are committed to continue this beautification on the south and north sides so that the entire linear trail is accessible and usable. We will plant numerous varieties of trees along the trail and install informative signage that identifies the plantings and their specific characteristics.
City of Shelley	03-CTE-J	The City of Shelley and the Tree Committee would like to develop a small park and name it Centennial Park for Shelley's 100 year celebration of being incorporated as a City in 2004. The proposed park would contain a water fountain, flag poles, a sculpture, paver hardscape, retaining walls, trees, color bowls and lawn. The development of this park would not only eliminate a potential weed patch but would add an item of beauty and interest in the downtown area of Shelley which would help to enhance and contribute to the revitalization of the downtown business district. This new park will be highly visible for anyone who passes through Shelley on Highway 91. The planting of trees and flowers along with a water fountain will provide a peaceful area to enjoy the beauty and a place to reflect and enjoy a peaceful environment.

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City of Smelterville	03-CTE-K	This project will install the first of six rest areas along the Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes that is within the city limits of Smelterville. A central area surfaced with an ADA approved material will contain a bench. An interpretive sign will be added when funds are available. The surrounding area of 590 sq. ft. will be planted with three Class 2 trees for shade and under plantings of native shrubs and bunch grass. The exposed surface of the planting area will be mulched with bark mulch. Site preparation costs are high for this project because it is in an EPA Super Fund Site and very strict requirements must be followed on projects that disturb contaminated soil. Being on a railroad ROW the soil is highly compacted, which requires more extensive excavation than if it were uncompacted.
City of Victor	03-CTE-M	The City of Victor desires to plant 204 trees in Pioneer Park, located two blocks east of Main Street. The municipal park is 22 acres and abuts a residential development near the city center and is currently barren of trees (making it aesthetically unappealing) except around the play structure. The trees will be planted along the western boundary of the park to better define the .6 mile section of the Teton Valley Trail system that connects the City of Victor to the City of Driggs. The trail is not shaded, lacks landscaping and there is no distinction between the trail system & a nearby subdivision. Other trees will be planted throughout the park including the spur trail that encircles the park.